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## NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY**: National Endowment for the Humanities.

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval as required by the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments on this information collection must be submitted on or before (INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN FEDERAL REGISTER).

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,
Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Humanities, Office of
Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; (202) 395-7316.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Joel Schwartz, Chief Guidelines
Officer, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20506; (202) 606-8473;
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is particularly interested in comments which: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Enhance the quality,

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utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Agency: National Endowment for the Humanities

<u>Title of Proposal</u>: Generic Clearance Authority for the National Endowment for the

OMB Number: 3136-0134.

Humanities

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

<u>Affected Public</u>: Applicants to NEH grant programs, reviewers of NEH grant applications, and NEH grantees.

Total Respondents: 7,074

Average Time per Response: varied according to type of information collection

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 67,105 hours

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: 0.

<u>Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services)</u>: 0.

<u>Description</u>: This submission requests approval from OMB for a three year extension of NEH's currently approved generic clearance authority for all NEH information collections other than one-time evaluations, questionnaires and surveys. Generic clearance authority would include approval of forms and instructions for application to NEH grant programs, reporting forms for NEH grantees, panelists and reviewers and for program evaluation purposes.

Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling Joel Schwartz at (202-606-8473) or may be requested by email to jschwartz@neh.gov.

Dated: April 3, 2015.

Margaret F. Plympton,

Deputy Chairman.

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